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Paper 1 Multiple Choice

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**1 hour**

Additional Materials:      Multiple Choice Answer Sheet  
   Soft clean eraser  
   Soft pencil (type B or HB is recommended)  
   Data Booklet

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**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Write in soft pencil.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

Write your name, Centre number and candidate number on the Answer Sheet in the spaces provided unless this has been done for you.

**DO NOT WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.**

There are **forty** questions on this paper. Answer **all** questions. For each question there are four possible answers **A, B, C** and **D**.

Choose the **one** you consider correct and record your choice in **soft pencil** on the separate Answer Sheet.

**Read the instructions on the Answer Sheet very carefully.**

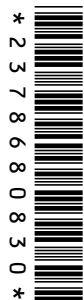
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Any rough working should be done in this booklet.

Electronic calculators may be used.

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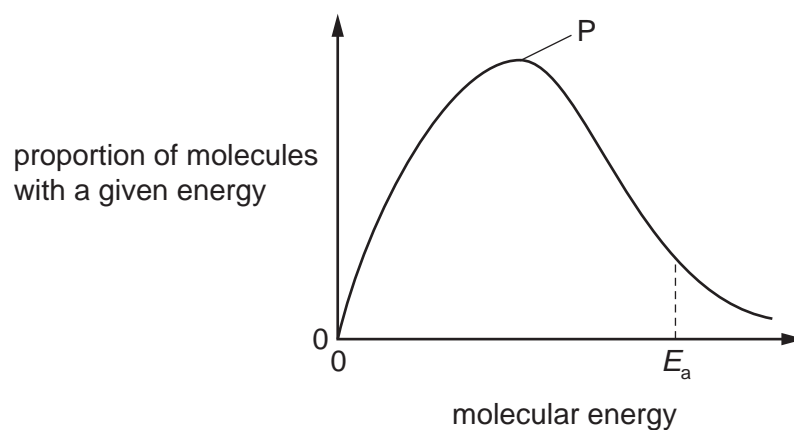
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## Section A

For each question there are four possible answers, **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**. Choose the **one** you consider to be correct.

Use of the Data Booklet may be appropriate for some questions.

- 1 The diagram shows the Boltzmann distribution of energies in 1 mole of a gas. The gas can take part in a reaction with an activation energy,  $E_a$ .



Which statement correctly describes the effect of an increase in temperature?

- A** Peak P will be higher and fewer molecules will have energy  $> E_a$ .
- B** Peak P will be higher and more molecules will have energy  $> E_a$ .
- C** Peak P will be lower and fewer molecules will have energy  $> E_a$ .
- D** Peak P will be lower and more molecules will have energy  $> E_a$ .
- 2 Four electronic configurations are shown below. Three of these configurations belong to atoms of the elements chlorine, sodium and vanadium.

Which electronic configuration belongs to an atom of another element?

- A**  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^1$
- B**  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^5$
- C**  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^3 4s^2$
- D**  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^6 4s^2$

## 3

3 Elements X and Y are in the same group of the Periodic Table.

The table shows the first six ionisation energies of X and Y in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ .

|   | 1st  | 2nd  | 3rd  | 4th  | 5th  | 6th    |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|--------|
| X | 800  | 1600 | 2400 | 4300 | 5400 | 10 400 |
| Y | 1000 | 1800 | 2700 | 4800 | 6000 | 12 300 |

What could be the identities of X and Y?

|          | X             | Y             |
|----------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>A</b> | antimony, Sb  | arsenic, As   |
| <b>B</b> | arsenic, As   | antimony, Sb  |
| <b>C</b> | selenium, Se  | tellurium, Te |
| <b>D</b> | tellurium, Te | selenium, Se  |

4 In China, the concentration of blood glucose,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$ , is measured in  $\text{mmol/l}$ . In Pakistan, the concentration of blood glucose is measured in  $\text{mg/dl}$ .

The unit  $l$  is a litre ( $1 \text{ dm}^3$ ). The unit  $dl$  is a decilitre ( $0.1 \text{ dm}^3$ ).

A blood glucose concentration of  $18.5 \text{ mmol/l}$  indicates a health problem.

What is  $18.5 \text{ mmol/l}$  converted to  $\text{mg/dl}$ ?

**A**  $33.3 \text{ mg/dl}$     **B**  $178 \text{ mg/dl}$     **C**  $333 \text{ mg/dl}$     **D**  $3330 \text{ mg/dl}$

5 Each of the four species in this question are isolated and gaseous.

Which species is **not** planar?

**A**  $\text{BF}_3$     **B**  $\text{CH}_3^+$     **C**  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$     **D**  $\text{NH}_3$

6 Argon is a gas used to fill electric light bulbs.

Under which conditions of pressure and temperature will argon behave most like an ideal gas?

|          | pressure | temperature |
|----------|----------|-------------|
| <b>A</b> | high     | high        |
| <b>B</b> | high     | low         |
| <b>C</b> | low      | high        |
| <b>D</b> | low      | low         |

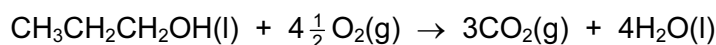
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- 7 0.10 g of the volatile liquid X formed  $0.025 \text{ dm}^3$  of vapour at  $100^\circ\text{C}$  and atmospheric pressure.  
1 mol of vapour occupies  $22.4 \text{ dm}^3$  at  $0^\circ\text{C}$  and atmospheric pressure.

What is the relative molecular mass of X?

- A  $\frac{0.025 \times 273 \times 22.4}{0.10 \times 373}$   
 B  $\frac{0.025 \times 373 \times 22.4}{0.10 \times 273}$   
 C  $\frac{0.10 \times 273 \times 22.4}{0.025 \times 373}$   
 D  $\frac{0.10 \times 373 \times 22.4}{0.025 \times 273}$

- 8 The equation for the complete combustion of propan-1-ol is shown.

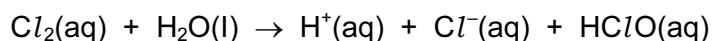


Standard enthalpy changes of formation are given.

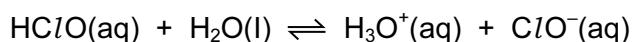
|                      |  |                            |                                |
|----------------------|--|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| compound             | $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}(\text{l})$ | $\text{CO}_2(\text{g})$    | $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$ |
| $\Delta H_f^\ominus$ | $-303 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$                             | $-394 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ | $-286 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$     |

What is the standard enthalpy change of combustion of propan-1-ol, in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ ?

- A  $-394 - 286 - 303$   
 B  $303 - (4 \times 286) - (3 \times 394)$   
 C  $394 + 286 - 303$   
 D  $(3 \times 394) + (4 \times 286) + 303$
- 9 In the treatment of domestic water supplies, chlorine is added to the water to form  $\text{HClO}$ .



The  $\text{HClO}$  reacts further to give  $\text{ClO}^-$  ions.



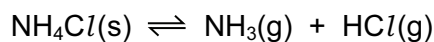
Both  $\text{HClO}$  and  $\text{ClO}^-$  kill bacteria by oxidation.

What is the change in oxidation number of chlorine when forming the  $\text{ClO}^-$  ion from aqueous chlorine?

- A  $-1$                       B  $0$                       C  $+1$                       D  $+2$

## 5

- 10 When solid ammonium chloride dissociates at a certain temperature in a  $0.500\text{ dm}^3$  container, ammonia and hydrogen chloride are formed.



The initial amount of ammonium chloride was 1.00 mol, and when the system had reached equilibrium there was 0.300 mol of ammonium chloride.

What is the numerical value of  $K_c$  for this reaction under these conditions?

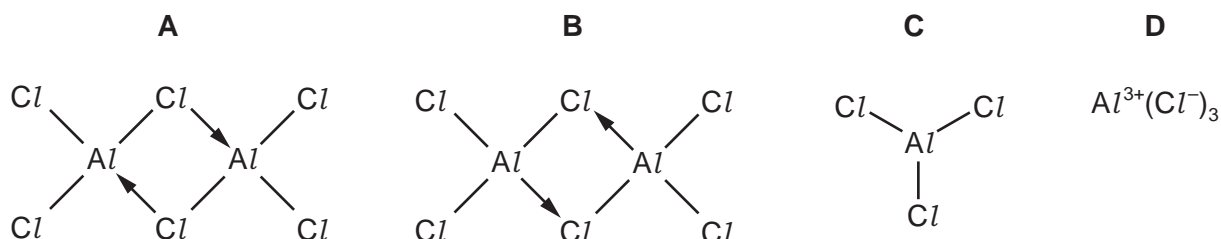
- A 0.490                      B 1.63                      C 1.96                      D 3.27
- 11 Which stage in the free radical substitution of ethane by chlorine has the lowest activation energy?
- A  $\text{Cl}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{Cl}\cdot$
- B  $\text{Cl}\cdot + \text{C}_2\text{H}_6 \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_5\cdot + \text{HCl}$
- C  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\cdot + \text{Cl}_2 \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{Cl} + \text{Cl}\cdot$
- D  $\text{Cl}\cdot + \text{C}_2\text{H}_5\cdot \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{Cl}$
- 12 Sodium and sulfur react together to form sodium sulfide,  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}$ .

How do the atomic radius and ionic radius of sodium compare with those of sulfur?

|   | atomic radius   | ionic radius    |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| A | sodium < sulfur | sodium > sulfur |
| B | sodium < sulfur | sodium < sulfur |
| C | sodium > sulfur | sodium > sulfur |
| D | sodium > sulfur | sodium < sulfur |

- 13 Solid aluminium chloride sublimes at  $178^\circ\text{C}$ .

Which structure best represents the species in the vapour at this temperature?



## 6

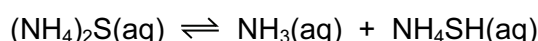
- 14 A 0.005 mol sample of anhydrous calcium carbonate was completely thermally decomposed to give 100 cm<sup>3</sup> of gas measured at a certain temperature and pressure.

In a separate experiment carried out at the same temperature and pressure, a 0.005 mol sample of anhydrous calcium nitrate was completely thermally decomposed. The volume of gaseous products was measured.

What total volume of gaseous products was produced from the calcium nitrate?

- A 50 cm<sup>3</sup>      B 100 cm<sup>3</sup>      C 200 cm<sup>3</sup>      D 250 cm<sup>3</sup>

- 15 Ammonia gas, NH<sub>3</sub>, and hydrogen sulfide gas, H<sub>2</sub>S, react together to form the salt ammonium sulfide, (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S. Ammonium sulfide dissolves in water to produce an orange alkaline solution.



The addition of NaOH(aq) to this solution produces a gas, X.

The addition of HCl(aq) to a separate portion of this solution produces a gas, Y.

What are the identities of X and Y?

|   | X                | Y                |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| A | H <sub>2</sub> S | H <sub>2</sub> S |
| B | H <sub>2</sub> S | NH <sub>3</sub>  |
| C | NH <sub>3</sub>  | H <sub>2</sub> S |
| D | NH <sub>3</sub>  | NH <sub>3</sub>  |

- 16 A solid, T, was placed in an excess of the liquid U.

A colourless gas was given off and a white precipitate was seen. The precipitate was not T.

What could be the identities of T and U?

|   | T                 | U                                     |
|---|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| A | BaCO <sub>3</sub> | H <sub>2</sub> O                      |
| B | Ca                | dilute H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> |
| C | Mg                | dilute H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> |
| D | SrCO <sub>3</sub> | dilute HCl                            |

## 7

- 17 Nitrogen(II) oxide, NO, nitrogen(IV) oxide, NO<sub>2</sub>, carbon monoxide, CO, and unburnt hydrocarbons are present in the exhaust gases of internal combustion engines. When catalytic converters are used to remove these compounds from the exhaust gases, redox reactions occur.

What happens to each compound in the catalytic converter?

|          | NO       | NO <sub>2</sub> | CO       | hydrocarbons |
|----------|----------|-----------------|----------|--------------|
| <b>A</b> | oxidised | oxidised        | reduced  | oxidised     |
| <b>B</b> | oxidised | oxidised        | oxidised | oxidised     |
| <b>C</b> | reduced  | reduced         | oxidised | oxidised     |
| <b>D</b> | reduced  | reduced         | reduced  | reduced      |

- 18 An excess of chlorine gas, Cl<sub>2</sub>, is passed through 60 cm<sup>3</sup> of cold aqueous 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sodium hydroxide. In a separate experiment an excess of chlorine gas is passed through 60 cm<sup>3</sup> of hot aqueous 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sodium hydroxide until no further reaction takes place.

How much **more** sodium chloride will be produced by the reaction with hot NaOH than with cold NaOH?

- A** 0.002 moles  
**B** 0.003 moles  
**C** 0.005 moles  
**D** 0.006 moles
- 19 Fluorine and iodine are Group 17 elements. Their melting points are different due to differing strengths of van der Waals' forces between molecules.

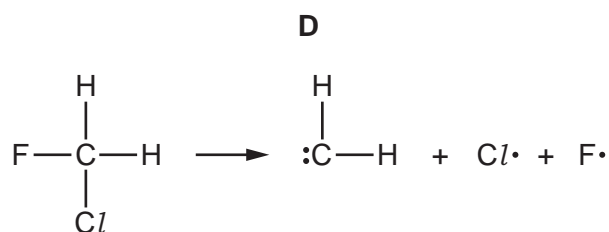
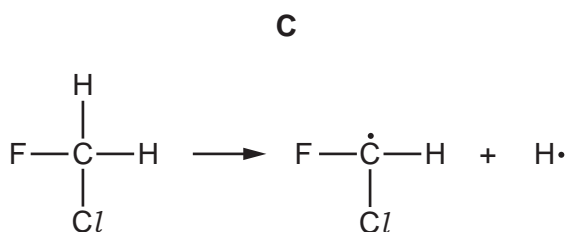
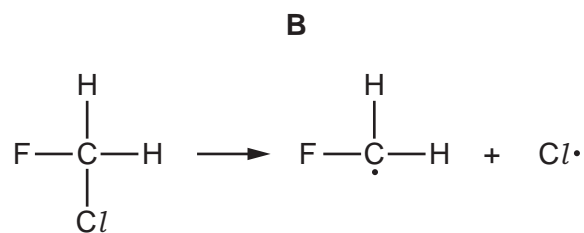
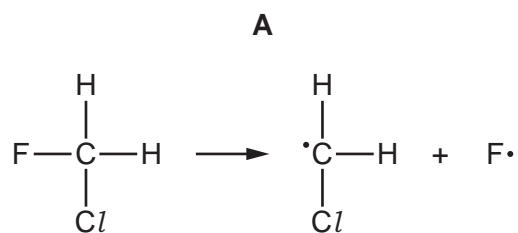
Which row is correct?

|          | melting point                   | strength of van der Waals' forces between molecules |
|----------|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>A</b> | F <sub>2</sub> > I <sub>2</sub> | F <sub>2</sub> > I <sub>2</sub>                     |
| <b>B</b> | F <sub>2</sub> > I <sub>2</sub> | F <sub>2</sub> < I <sub>2</sub>                     |
| <b>C</b> | F <sub>2</sub> < I <sub>2</sub> | F <sub>2</sub> < I <sub>2</sub>                     |
| <b>D</b> | F <sub>2</sub> < I <sub>2</sub> | F <sub>2</sub> > I <sub>2</sub>                     |

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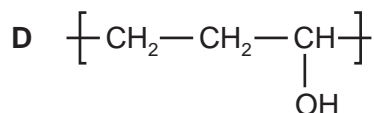
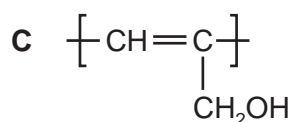
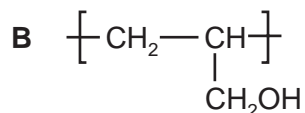
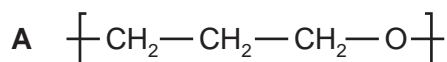
- 20 Chlorofluorocarbons damage the ozone layer by undergoing reactions with a free radical mechanism. The first stage of this is initiation.

Which equation is most likely to be the initiation stage when chlorofluoromethane is involved in such a reaction?



- 21 Synthetic resins can be made by polymerisation of a variety of monomers including prop-2-en-1-ol,  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_2\text{OH}$ .

Which structure represents the repeat unit in poly(prop-2-en-1-ol)?

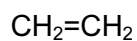




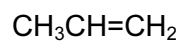
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22 Oct-1-ene,  $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_5\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$ , can be thermally cracked.

Which combination of compounds W, X, Y and Z can be obtained by thermally cracking oct-1-ene?



W



X



Y

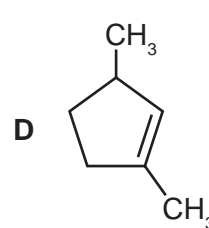
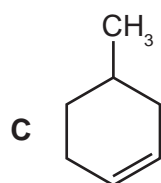
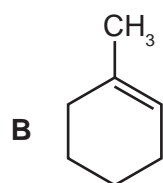
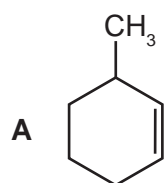


Z

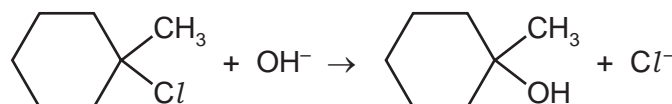
- A W, X, Y and Z  
 B W, X and Y only  
 C W, X and Z only  
 D W and X only

23 A cycloalkene with the molecular formula  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{12}$  was oxidised by hot concentrated acidified  $\text{MnO}_4^-$ . The only organic product was 2-methylhexane-1,6-dioic acid.

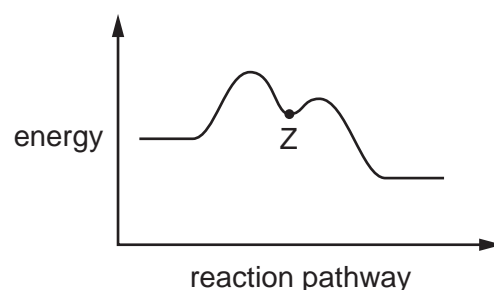
What is the identity of the cycloalkene?



24 1-chloro-1-methylcyclohexane is hydrolysed by heating with  $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$ .



The reaction pathway is shown.



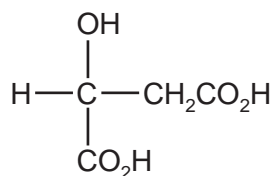
One carbon atom in 1-chloro-1-methylcyclohexane is bonded to three other carbon atoms.

What is the charge on this carbon atom at point Z?

- A  $\delta+$                       B +                      C  $\delta-$                       D -

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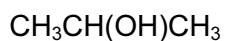
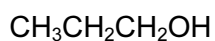
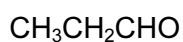
25 Malic acid is found in apples.



malic acid

Which reagent will react with only one of the –OH groups in the malic acid molecule?

- A ethanoic acid in the presence of concentrated sulfuric acid
  - B sodium
  - C sodium hydrogen carbonate
  - D sodium hydroxide
- 26 Which organic compound would **not** give **either** a yellow precipitate when treated with alkaline aqueous iodine **or** an orange precipitate when treated with 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine reagent?
- A propanal
  - B propan-1-ol
  - C propan-2-ol
  - D propanone
- 27 In which reaction is the organic compound oxidised?
- A  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CHO} + \text{Tollens' reagent}$
  - B  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CHO} + \text{LiAlH}_4$
  - C  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{concentrated H}_3\text{PO}_4$
  - D  $\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5 + \text{dilute H}_2\text{SO}_4$
- 28 How many of the following compounds produce a carboxylic acid on heating under reflux with an excess of hot acidified  $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$ ?



- A 1                      B 2                      C 3                      D 4

## 11

29 How many isomeric esters, including structural isomers and stereoisomers, can be made with the molecular formula  $C_5H_{10}O_2$ , if methanoic acid is one of the two reactants used?

- A 2                      B 3                      C 4                      D 5

30 Compound X,  $C_4H_8O_2$ , has an unbranched carbon chain. An aqueous solution of X has an approximate pH of 3.

Compound Y,  $C_3H_8O$ , is a secondary alcohol.

X and Y are reacted together in the presence of a little concentrated sulfuric acid to form Z as the major organic product.

What is the structural formula of Z?

- A  $(CH_3)_2CHCO_2CH_2CH_2CH_3$   
B  $CH_3(CH_2)_2CO_2CH(CH_3)_2$   
C  $CH_3(CH_2)_2CO_2(CH_2)_2CH_3$   
D  $(CH_3)_2CHCO_2CH(CH_3)_2$

## 12

## Section B

For each of the questions in this section, one or more of the three numbered statements 1 to 3 may be correct.

Decide whether each of the statements is or is not correct (you may find it helpful to put a tick against the statements that you consider to be correct).

The responses **A** to **D** should be selected on the basis of

| <b>A</b>               | <b>B</b>                 | <b>C</b>                 | <b>D</b>          |
|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 1, 2 and 3 are correct | 1 and 2 only are correct | 2 and 3 only are correct | 1 only is correct |

No other combination of statements is used as a correct response.

- 31** In an experiment,  $10\text{ cm}^3$  of an organic compound, **J**, in the gaseous state was sparked with an excess of oxygen.  $20\text{ cm}^3$  of carbon dioxide and  $5\text{ cm}^3$  of nitrogen were obtained among the products. All gas volumes were measured at the same temperature and pressure.

What could be the identity of **J**?

- 1  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{N}_2$
- 2  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{N}$
- 3  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_7\text{N}$

- 32** Three elements, X, Y and Z, have electronic configurations as shown.

|     |       |       |
|-----|-------|-------|
| X   | Y     | Z     |
| 2,6 | 2,8,1 | 2,8,7 |

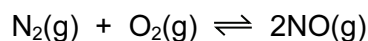
Which formulae represent compounds that conduct electricity in the liquid state?

- 1 YZ
- 2  $\text{Y}_2\text{X}$
- 3  $\text{Z}_2\text{X}$

## 13

33 In this question, all gases can be assumed to behave ideally.

A chemist heats a mixture of nitrogen and oxygen gases in a sealed container at a constant temperature until the mixture reaches a dynamic equilibrium containing  $\text{N}_2(\text{g})$ ,  $\text{O}_2(\text{g})$  and  $\text{NO}(\text{g})$ .



The chemist repeats the experiment at the same temperature using the same initial amounts of  $\text{N}_2(\text{g})$  and  $\text{O}_2(\text{g})$ , but at a much higher pressure.

Which statements about the second experiment at higher pressure are correct?

- 1 At higher pressure, there are more particles per unit volume.
- 2 The composition of the equilibrium mixture does not change.
- 3 There are more collisions per second so equilibrium is reached faster.

34 An ethanol burner can be used to heat water. If appropriate measurements are taken, a value for the enthalpy of combustion of ethanol can be calculated. The equation

$$\text{heat transferred} = -mc\Delta T$$

is used as part of the calculation.

Which symbols are correctly described?

- 1  $\Delta T$  is the change in temperature of the water.
- 2  $m$  is the mass of water used in the experiment.
- 3  $c$  is the specific heat capacity of ethanol.

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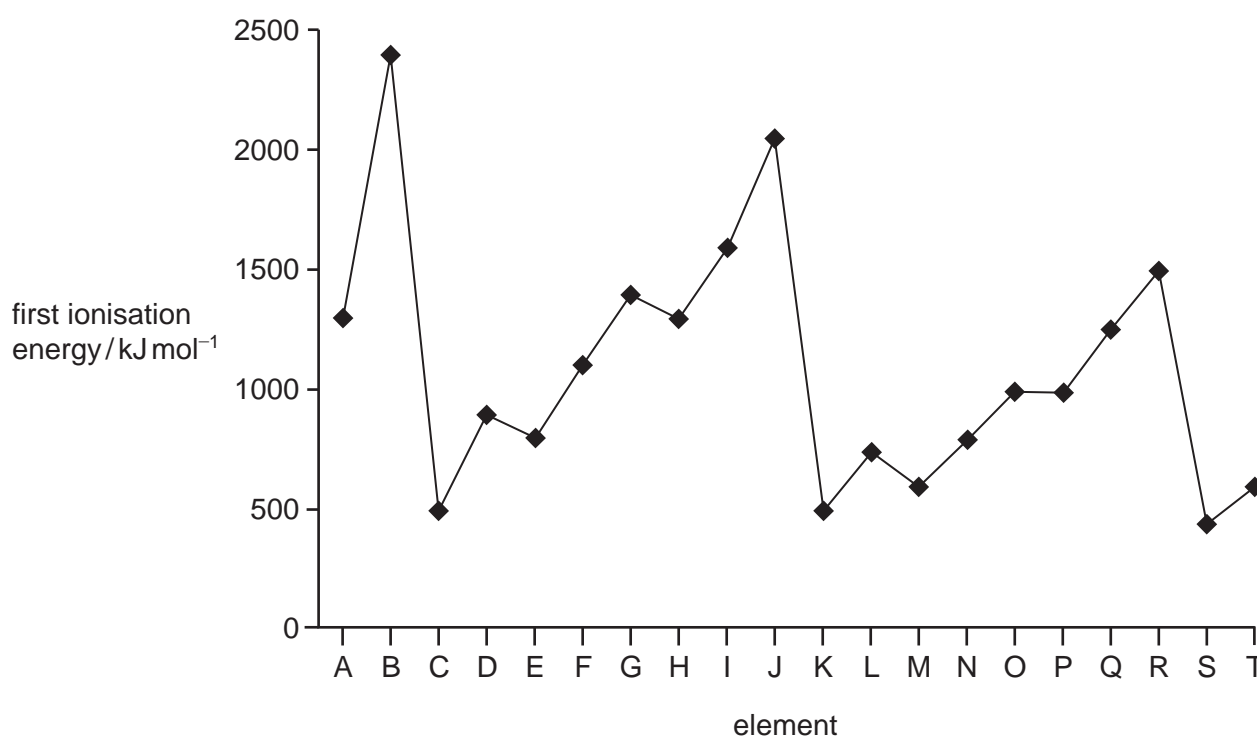
The responses **A** to **D** should be selected on the basis of

| <b>A</b>               | <b>B</b>                 | <b>C</b>                 | <b>D</b>          |
|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 1, 2 and 3 are correct | 1 and 2 only are correct | 2 and 3 only are correct | 1 only is correct |

No other combination of statements is used as a correct response.

- 35** The first ionisation energies of twenty successive elements in the Periodic Table are represented in the graph.

The letters given are not the normal symbols for these elements.

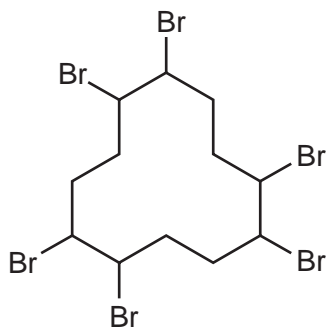


Which statements about this graph are correct?

- 1 Elements B, J and R are in Group 18 of the Periodic Table.
  - 2 Atoms of elements D and L contain two electrons in their outer shells.
  - 3 Atoms of elements G and O contain a half-filled p subshell.
- 36** Which properties increase in the sequence hydrogen chloride, hydrogen bromide and hydrogen iodide?
- 1 thermal stability
  - 2 bond length
  - 3 ease of oxidation

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37 The diagram shows a compound used as a flame retardant.



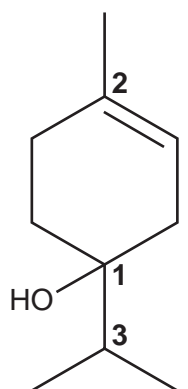
Which statements about this structure are correct?

- 1 The empirical formula is  $C_2H_3Br$ .
- 2 The  $C_{12}$  ring is not planar.
- 3 There are six chiral carbon atoms.

38 One of the active ingredients in tea-tree oil is terpinen-4-ol.

In the diagram of the skeletal formula of terpinen-4-ol, three of the carbon atoms are labelled 1, 2 and 3.

Which of the labelled carbon atoms are chiral?



terpinen-4-ol

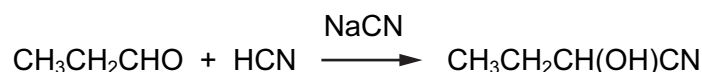
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The responses **A** to **D** should be selected on the basis of

| <b>A</b>               | <b>B</b>                 | <b>C</b>                 | <b>D</b>          |
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| 1, 2 and 3 are correct | 1 and 2 only are correct | 2 and 3 only are correct | 1 only is correct |

No other combination of statements is used as a correct response.

- 39** Propanal reacts with hydrogen cyanide to form 2-hydroxybutanenitrile. A suitable catalyst for this reaction is sodium cyanide.



Which statements about the reaction of propanal with hydrogen cyanide are correct?

- 1 The sodium cyanide provides a stronger nucleophile than HCN.
  - 2 The reaction can be classified as nucleophilic substitution.
  - 3 The hydrogen cyanide molecule attacks the propanal molecule to form an intermediate ion.
- 40** Which syntheses will be successful?
- 1  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$  from  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2 + \text{LiAlH}_4$
  - 2  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_3$  from  $\text{CH}_3\text{COCH}_3 + \text{NaBH}_4$
  - 3  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$  from  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CHO} + \text{NaBH}_4$

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